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FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA BAHRAIN

TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC PRIORITY 1830

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TAGS : OTRA, CPAS, CH

SUBJECT : TRAVEL TO PRC BY USDESEA TOUR GROUP

REFS : A. A-45, 3 JAN 1975

B. A-4085, 10 MAY 1973

1. GROUP OF AMCIT TEACHERS EMPLOYED BY DOD - USDESEA AND WORKING AT BAHRAIN SCHOOL DESIRES TRAVEL TO PRC ON PACKAGE TOUR ARRANGED BY PAKISTAN INTERNATIONAL AIRWAYS (PIA). TOUR WOULD DEPART BAHRAIN ON 23 MARCH 1975. ACTUAL TIME PERIOD GROUP WILL BE IN PRC IS 25 MARCH - 4 APRIL 1975. PIA PROPOSES SEND PASSPORTS AND VISA APPLICATIONS TO PRC EMBASSY IN ISLAMABAD VIA PIA COURIER DURING FIRST WEEK MARCH 75. PER OUR SUGGESTION, COMIDEASTFOR (U.S. SENIOR IN-COUNTRY MILITARY COMMAND) SENT MSG TO DOD WASHINGTON REQUESTING ADVISORY OPINION ON THIS TRAVEL BY DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES ON 8 JAN 1975. NO REPLY RECEIVED AS YET.

2. REF A AIRGRAM JUST RECEIVED MANAMA, AND PREVIOUS AIRGRAMS ON TRAVEL OF EXECUTIVE BRANCH EMPLOYEES TO PRC NOT IN OUR FILES. IN ABSENCE GUIDANCE REF. AIR"6., WE DID NOT ADVISE DEPT OF PROPOSED TRAVEL, AND MADE ABOVE RECOMMENDATION TO EFFECT THAT COMIDEASTFOR SHOULD QUERY DOD DIRECTLY. PRESUMABLY DOD HAS RAISED QUESTION WITH DEPARTMENT.

3. TIME IS NOW IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION, AND USDEASEA - EMPLOYED TEACHERS HAVE COMPLIED WITH SPIRIT OF DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTION BY NOTIFYING US AUTHORITIES WELL IN ADVANCE OF TRAVEL PLANS. IF 30 DAY PERIOD, BEGUN WITH DATE OF THIS MSG, IS REQUIRED BEFORE SUBMISSION OF VISA APPLICATIONS, TRAVEL WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE.

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FYI, TEACHERS INTEND TAKE TOUR DURING EASTER VACATION.

NAMES OF TEACHERS AS FOLLOWS:

MISS JANET SMITH  
MISS PRISCILLA BELANGER  
MISS SALLY DEJARNATT  
MRS. JANE LARSON  
MR. ROGER LARSON  
GREGOR LARSON (INFANT)  
MR. DANIEL BECKETT  
MRS. DIXIE SHEPHERD  
MR. WILLIAM SHEPHERD  
MISS HOPE SHEPHERD (13 YRS)  
MASTER BRETT SHEPHERD (5 YRS)  
MISS MARY DOHERTY  
MISS ISABEL ORR  
MRS. BONNIE KOVACS  
MRS. BARBARA TROUTMAN  
MRS. GAILE G. MILLER  
MRS. KATHRYN GREATRIX  
MR. GEORGE KOVACS  
MR. CLYDE BATTON  
MR. ROGER LINNETT  
MRS. PATRICIA LINNETT  
MR. KENNETH PETERSEN  
MR. JOEL LONDON  
MISS CHARLOTTE POTTER  
MISS JANE ABRAHAMSON  
MISS CAROLYN KATO  
MISS BARBARA BONNAVIAT  
MRS. RUTH MCCUTCHAN  
MR. KARL MCCUTCHAN  
MISS. CAROLYN ANDERSON  
MR. LARRY WALL  
MRS. ELIZABETH WALL  
MASTER JAMES LANCASTER (12 YRS)  
MASTER LANCE LANCASTER (11 YRS)

4. REQUEST FOLLOWING DEPT ACTION AND CONCURRENCE:

- A) COULD DEPT CONTACT DOD (USDESEA) TO REQUEST PRIORITY REPLY  
TO COMIDEASTFOR REQUEST FOR OPINION ON TRAVEL:  
B) IF DOD HAS NO OBJECTIONS THAT WOULD PREVENT TRAVEL, REQUEST  
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DEPT CONSIDER THAT 30-DAY NOTIFICATION PERIOD SATISFIED BY ABOVE  
REQUEST TO DOD, AND THAT TRAVELERS MAY PROCEED WITH SCHEDULE  
OUTLINED PARA ONE.

5. PER REF A, WILL RECOMMEND ALL OF ABOVE GROUP TRAVEL ON OFFI-  
CIAL PPTS, WHILE MAKING CLEAR ON VISA APPLICATIONS THAT TRAVEL  
IS IN PRIVATE CAPACITY.

6. REQUEST REPLY SOONEST.

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